

# Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists

## Proposed Language

### Amend section 411 of Article 1 in Division 5 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

#### **411. Seal and Signature.**

(a) The seal required by Section 6764 of the Code shall be not less than one and one-half (1½) inches in diameter and shall contain the following information:

(1) Within the top border of seal: Either “Professional Engineer,” “Registered Professional Engineer,” or “Licensed Professional Engineer.”

(2) Within the bottom border of seal: “State of California.”

(3) In the center of seal:

(A) Licensee’s name as it appears on the certificate issued by the Board or as abbreviated pursuant to subdivision (d);

(B) Number of certificate or authority; and,

(C) Branch or authority of engineering in which licensed.

The seal shall be of a design similar to those shown below and shall bear at minimum those elements specified above.



(b) The seal authorized by Section 8750 of the Code shall be not less than one and one-half (1 ½) inches in diameter and shall contain the following information:

(1) Within the top border of the seal: Either “Professional Land Surveyor” or “Licensed Land Surveyor.”

(2) Within the bottom border of the seal: “State of California.”

(3) In the center of the seal:

(A) Licensee’s name as it appears on the certificate issued by the Board or as abbreviated pursuant to subdivision (d); and,

(B) Number of certificate.

The seal shall be of a design similar to those shown below and shall bear at minimum those elements specified above.

(c) The seal may be obtained by the licensee from any source.

(d) The seal may contain an abbreviated form of the licensee’s given name or a combination of initials representing the licensee’s given name provided the surname listed with the Board appears on the seal and in the signature.

(e) The seal shall be capable of leaving a permanent ink representation, ~~an opaque and a~~ permanent impression, or an electronically-generated representation on the documents. The signature may be applied to the documents electronically.

(f) Preprinting of blank forms with the seal or signature, the use of decals of the seal or signature, or the use of a rubber stamp of the signature is prohibited.

(g) (1) All professional engineering plans, specifications, reports, or documents (hereinafter referred to as "documents") shall be signed and sealed in accordance with the requirements of the Professional Engineers Act and any other laws related to the practice of professional engineering and shall be signed and sealed in a manner such that all work can be clearly attributed to the licensee(s) in responsible charge of the work.

(2) All maps, plats, reports, descriptions, or other professional land surveying documents (hereinafter referred to as "documents") shall be signed and sealed in accordance with the requirements of the Professional Land Surveyors' Act and any other laws related to the practice of professional land surveying and shall be signed and sealed in a manner such that all work can be clearly attributed to the licensee(s) in responsible charge of the work.

(3) When signing and sealing documents containing work done by, or under the responsible charge of, two or more licensees, the signature and seal of each licensee in responsible charge shall be placed on the documents with a notation describing the work done under each licensee's responsible charge.

(h) Each licensee shall include the date of signing and sealing immediately below or next to the signature and seal.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 6716 and 8710, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 6764 and 8750, Business and Professions Code.

**Amend section 412 of Article 1 in Division 5 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:**

**412. Address Change.**

Each person who is an applicant for, or a holder of, a certificate or license issued by the Board ~~under provisions of the Professional Engineers Act or the Professional Land Surveyors' Act~~ shall file his/or her address of record with the Board ~~office~~. Within thirty (30) days after ~~changing addresses~~ any change to his or her address of record, he/or she shall notify the Board ~~office~~ in writing of such change.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 6716 and 8710, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 6715 and 8712, Business and Professions Code.

**Amend section 3008 of Article 1 in Division 29 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:**

**3008. Seal.**

(a) The seal authorized by Section 7852 of the Code may be purchased by the ~~registrant~~ licensee from any convenient source. It ~~shall be of the design shown here and~~ shall not be less than one and one-half (~~1 1/2~~ 1 1/2) inches in diameter; and shall contain the following information:

(1) The licensee's name as it appears on the certificate issued by the Board or as abbreviated pursuant to subdivision (e);

(2) Number of license or authority.

The seal shall be of a design similar to that shown below and shall bear at minimum those elements specified above.



(b) The certified specialty geologist seal ~~shall be of the design shown here and~~ shall not be less than one and one-half (~~4 1/2~~ 1 1/2) inches in diameter; and shall contain the following information:

(1) The licensee's name as it appears on the certificate issued by the Board or as abbreviated pursuant to subdivision (e);

(2) Number of certification or authority;

(3) Either "Certified Engineering Geologist" or "Certified Hydrogeologist," depending on the certification of the licensee.

The seal shall be of a design similar to that shown below and shall bear at minimum those elements specified above.



(c) The seal authorized by Section 7852.1 may be purchased by the ~~registrant~~ licensee from any convenient source. It ~~shall be of the design shown here and~~ shall not be less than one and one-half (~~4 1/2~~ 1 1/2) inches in diameter; and shall contain the following information:

(1) The licensee's name as it appears on the certificate issued by the Board or as abbreviated pursuant to subdivision (e);

(2) Number of license or authority.

The seal shall be of a design similar to that shown below and shall bear at minimum those elements specified above.



(d) The seals authorized by Section 7852 and Section 7852.1 shall not be used on a Real Estate Transfer Disclosure Statement required by Section 1102.6 of the Civil Code. However, the seals authorized by Sections 7852 and 7852.1 shall be used on any geologic or geophysical report or opinion, dealing with matters within the scope of the professional's license and expertise, if said report or opinion is attached separately as a substituted disclosure pursuant to a Real Estate Transfer Disclosure Statement required by Section 1102.6 of the Civil Code.

(e) The seal may contain an abbreviated form of the licensee's given name or a combination of initials representing the licensee's given name provided the surname listed with the Board appears on the seal and in the signature.

(f) The seal shall be capable of leaving a permanent ink representation, a permanent impression, or an electronically-generated representation on the documents. The signature may be applied to the documents electronically.

(g) Preprinting of blank forms with the seal or signature, the use of decals of the seal or signature, or the use of a rubber stamp of the signature is prohibited.

(h)(1) All professional geological plans, specifications, reports, or documents (hereinafter referred to as "documents") shall be signed and sealed in accordance with the requirements of the Geologist and Geophysicist Act and any other laws related to the practice of professional geology and shall be signed and sealed in a manner such that all work can be clearly attributed to the licensee(s) in responsible charge of the work.

(2) All professional geophysical plans, specifications, reports, or documents (hereinafter referred to as "documents") shall be signed and sealed in accordance with the requirements of the Geologist and Geophysicist Act and any other laws related to the practice of professional geophysics and shall be signed and sealed in a manner such that all work can be clearly attributed to the licensee(s) in responsible charge of the work.

(3) When signing and sealing documents containing work done by or under the responsible charge of two or more licensees, the signature and seal of each licensee in responsible charge shall be placed on the documents with a notation describing the work done under each licensee's responsible charge.

(i) Each licensee shall include the date of signing and sealing immediately below or next to the signature and seal.

NOTE: Authority cited: Section 7818, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 7852 and 7852.1, Business and Professions Code.

**Amend section 3009 of Article 1 in Division 29 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:**

**3009. Address Change.**

Each person who is an applicant for ~~registration~~ or a holder of a certificate of ~~registration~~, or license ~~or permit from~~ issued by the ~~B~~board shall file his or her address of record with ~~notify~~ the ~~B~~board, ~~at its Sacramento office~~ W ~~within 60~~ thirty (30) days after any ~~of any and all~~ changes, ~~giving both to his or her old and new address~~, of record, he or she shall notify the Board in writing of such change.

NOTE: Authority cited: Section 7818, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Section 7821, Business and Professions Code.

